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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
AND HEALTH SERVICES

Z.R.,

PETITIONER,

v.

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
AND HEALTH SERVICES AND
ATLANTIC COUNTY BOARD OF
SOCIAL SERVICES,
RESPONDENTS.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 01181-15

As Director of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, I have reviewed the record in this case, including the OAL case file and the Initial Decision approving the Settlement Agreement reached by the parties in this matter. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Agency Decision is May 20, 2013 in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-10, which requires an Agency Head to adopt, reject, or modify the Initial Decision within 45 days of receipt. The Initial Decision was received on April 3, 2013.

This appeal stems from the imposition of a penalty period based upon a transfer of assets. By Stipulation of Settlement filed with the OAL, the parties agreed to amicably resolve this controversy whereby the penalty period begins on October 1, 2014 and ends on September 1, 2015.

The ALJ approved the Settlement Agreement because it was consistent with the law, fully disposed of all issues in controversy and was voluntarily entered into by both parties, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1.

I agree with the ALJ's conclusions regarding the Settlement Agreement and ADOPT the Initial Decision as based upon substantial credible evidence and consistent with applicable law.

THEREFORE, it is on this ^{22nd} day of May 2015,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision approving the Settlement Agreement in this matter is hereby ADOPTED.



Valerie J. Harr, Director
Division of Medical Assistance
and Health Services